

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2492 - SB 2370

January 27, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) to develop a plan for delivery of services to victims of human trafficking. Requires the plan to include a timeline for which DHS anticipates the state would be capable of implementing the plan, the anticipated rates of assistance to victims of human trafficking, cost of implementation, an itemized rationale for the anticipated rates and cost of plan implementation, and any other factors that DHS anticipates to significantly contribute or detract from the success of implementing the plan. Authorizes DHS to make application for and accept funding from any public or private source to effectuate the purposes of this section. Requires DHS to transmit a copy and issue a report to the chairs of the Judiciary Committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives, by March 1, 2012.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The plan developed by DHS will: identify victims of human trafficking in the state, identify community-based services for victims of human trafficking, assist victims of human trafficking through the provision of information regarding access to benefits and services to which those victims may be entitled, coordinate delivery of services and information concerning health care, mental health care, legal services, housing, job training, education and victim's compensation funds, prepare and disseminate educational materials and provide training programs to increase awareness of human trafficking and the services available to victims, and assist victims with family reunification.
- DHS will develop the plan and application, and apply for funding with existing staff and resources, without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion. Any cost incurred will be not significant.
- Any increase in state expenditures associated with reporting the study to the members of the General Assembly will be not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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